

CITY OF MONTEREY PARK
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
ENGINEERING CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL

May 12, 2015
MINUTES

- Item 1 - Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM.
- Item 2 – Vincent Chang, City Clerk, swore in Johanna Bonillo and Jessica Ramos as Environmental Commissioners.
- Item 3 - Roll Call:
Present: Commissioners Joan Merino, Johanna Bonillo and Jessica Ramos.
Also Present: Amy Ho, Principal Management Analyst.
- Item 4 – Approval of the Minutes
The minutes of the April meeting were deferred to the June meeting due to lack of quorum of members who were present at the April meeting.
- Item 5- Oral Communications:
None.
- Item 6 – Agenda Changes, Deletions, or Postponements:
None.
- Item 7 - Old Business
- A. Earth Day 2015
Amy briefed the Commissioners on the Earth Day event that was held on Sat., April 18, 2015, in partnership with the Cherry Blossom Festival. The bike ride turnout was lower than previous years. Johanna mentioned that there may have been some confusion with the time of the event due to conflicting information that was made available to the public. Amy explained that a new staff person from Bike San Gabriel Valley (SGV) had assisted with organizing the ride. She suggested that the Commission consider a new approach next year to hopefully attract more participants.
- Item 8 – New Business
- A. Public Works Day
Amy announced that the Public Works Department will be hosting a community day on May 20, 2015 in celebration of the National Public Works Week. The event will be held at the City Yard from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM. She asked the Commissioners if they would be interested in hosting a booth and providing information to the

community. Given the short timeline the Commissioners felt that they could not participate.

B. Active Transportation Program Grant

Amy requested the that the Commission submit a letter in support of the Active Transportation Program grant application to construct bike lanes and pedestrian improvements in the City. She explained that the grant focuses on community support and the Commission's letter would increase the likelihood of the project being funded. The Commission would like to review the draft application and support letter before signing.

Announcements

Amy announced that the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District has invited the Commissioners to attend a Water Conservation Meeting at Brightwood Elementary School on May 19, 2015. Guest speakers will discuss the timely topic of the drought and water conservation measures.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.